



- High Performance 4-Channel RF Multiplexers
- 18GHz, 26.5GHz, 40GHz, 50GHz & 67GHz Bandwidth
- Unterminated Versions With up to 16 Multiplexer Banks
- Terminated versions with up to 14 Multiplexer Banks
- 50 Ω Characteristic Impedance
- Low Loss, High Isolation
- LXI Standard 1.4 Compliant
- IVI & Direct I/O Drivers
- 3 Year Warranty

The 60-803 Microwave Multiplexer is suitable for switching 50 Ω signals up to 67 GHz. With up to 16 banks of 4 channels it is ideal for constructing complex microwave switching systems for many applications. Connection is by front panel SMA, SMA-2.9, SMA-2.4 or SMA-1.85 connectors.

It is also available in a terminated version with up to 14 banks of 4 channel multiplexers. This version automatically terminates signal channels into 50 Ω when not connected to the common terminal.

The multiplexer has an extremely high level of performance with low VSWR, very high isolation, low loss and high power handling. It is ideal for switching 50 Ω systems for HF up to microwave frequencies. It occupies 2U or 3U of rack space, providing a compact switching solution. Multiplexers can be user connected to create customized switching systems which include multiplexers and matrices.

Controlling the Multiplexer

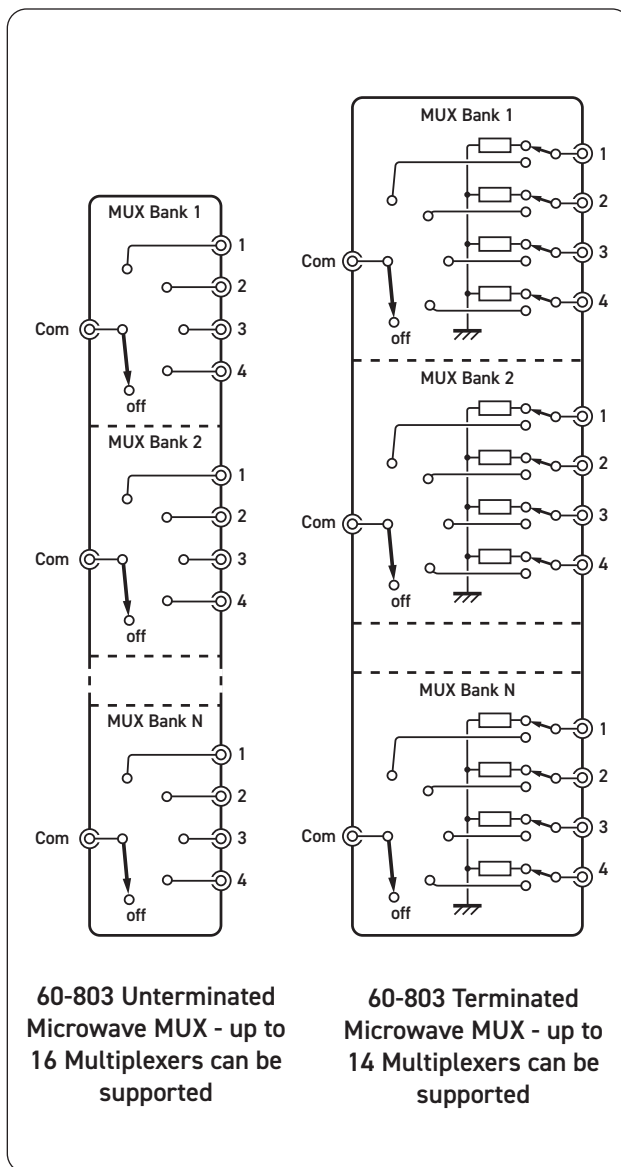
The 60-803 is controlled through an LXI interface based on 1000Base-T Ethernet. This provides a quick and easy method of installing the 60-803 and a simple way of controlling it at a remote location through its API or built in soft front panel. The ability to control the unit at a distance aids the testing of systems without the need for a physical presence.

Easy Repair

To allow fast in field repair, relays may be individually replaced without removing the covers from the chassis or the chassis from the host rack.

Other Microwave Switching Configurations

We are able to offer other microwave switching solutions, if you have a custom requirement for switching please contact your local Pickering Interfaces sales representative



General Multiplexer Information

Configuration:	4 to 1 Microwave Multiplexer with up to 16 independent banks.
Operating Time:	<18 ms
Maximum Voltage:	100 VDC*
Max. Switch Current:	1 A

Power Source

Universal AC mains supply, 90-120/200-240 V 50-60 Hz	
Power Inlet:	Male IEC connector
Power Rating:	100 VA maximum
Fuse Rating:	5 A, 250 V

LAN Interface

Compliant to LXI Standard 1.4, the 60-803 has a 1000Base-T Ethernet Interface via a standard RJ-45 connector mounted on the rear panel with an LCD display showing the unit's IP address.

LXI Status Indicators

Front panel mounted LEDs:

- Power
- Ready
- Error
- LAN
- Active

Mechanical Characteristics

Supplied with front panel ears to enable rack mounting on a shelf or other rear support mechanism.

- Unterminated (18GHz only) relays, 2U high, full 19" rack width, 500mm deep.
- Unterminated (50GHz & 67GHz) relays (1-8 off), 2U high, full 19" rack width, 500mm deep.
- Unterminated (50GHz & 67GHz) relays (9-16 off), 3U high, full 19" rack width, 500mm deep.
- Terminated relays (8-14 off), 3U high, full 19" rack width, 500mm deep.

3D models for all versions in a variety of popular file formats are available on request.

Connectors

Signals via front panel mounted coaxial connectors:

- 18 GHz, versions - SMA
- 26.5 GHz, versions - SMA
- 40 GHz, versions - SMA-2.9
- 50 GHz, versions - SMA-2.4
- 67 GHz, versions - SMA-1.85

Cooling

Fan assisted cooling, side air intakes and rear exhaust.

Operating/Storage Conditions

Operating Conditions

Operating Temperature:	0°C to +55°C
Humidity:	Up to 90% non-condensing
Altitude:	5000 m

Storage and Transport Conditions

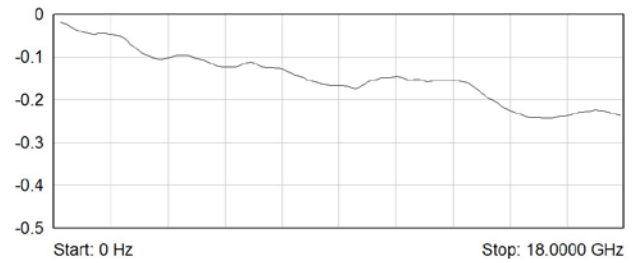
Storage Temperature:	-20°C to +75°C
Humidity:	Up to 90% non-condensing
Altitude:	15000 m

Safety & CE Compliance

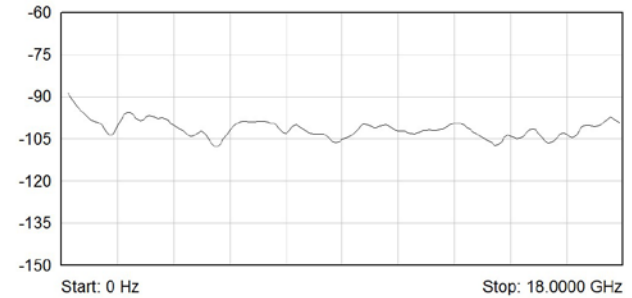
All products are fully CE compliant and meet applicable EU directives: Low-voltage safety EN61010-1:2010, EMC Immunity EN61326-1:2013, Emissions EN55011:2009+A1:2010.

Specification - 18 GHz Terminated Versions

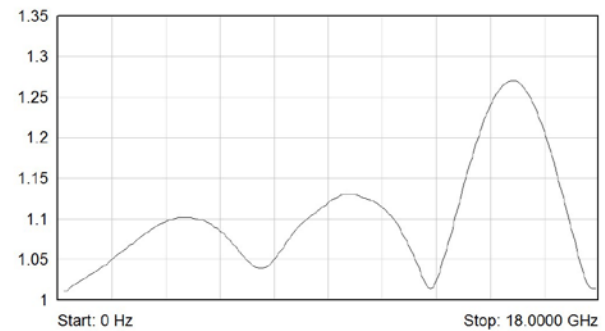
Characteristic Impedance:	50 Ω
Connectors:	SMA
Bandwidth	DC to 18 GHz
Isolation:	80 dB (0-3 GHz) 70 dB (3-8 GHz) 60 dB (8-12.4 GHz) 60 dB (12.4-18 GHz)
Insertion Loss:	0.2 dB (0-3 GHz) 0.3 dB (3-8 GHz) 0.4 dB (8-12.4 GHz) 0.5 dB (12.4-18 GHz)
VSWR:	1.2:1 (0-3 GHz) 1.3:1 (3-8 GHz) 1.4:1 (8-12.4 GHz) 1.5:1 (12.4-18 GHz)
Maximum RF Carry Power:	240 W (0-3 GHz) 150 W (3-8 GHz) 120 W (8-12.4 GHz) 100 W (12.4-18 GHz)
Termination Power Rating:	1 W per termination, 3W total per 6 channel multiplexer.
Expected Life (Low Power):	18 GHz option >5 million operations 18 GHz terminated option >2 million operations



Typical Insertion Loss (dB) Plot for 18 GHz Terminated Versions



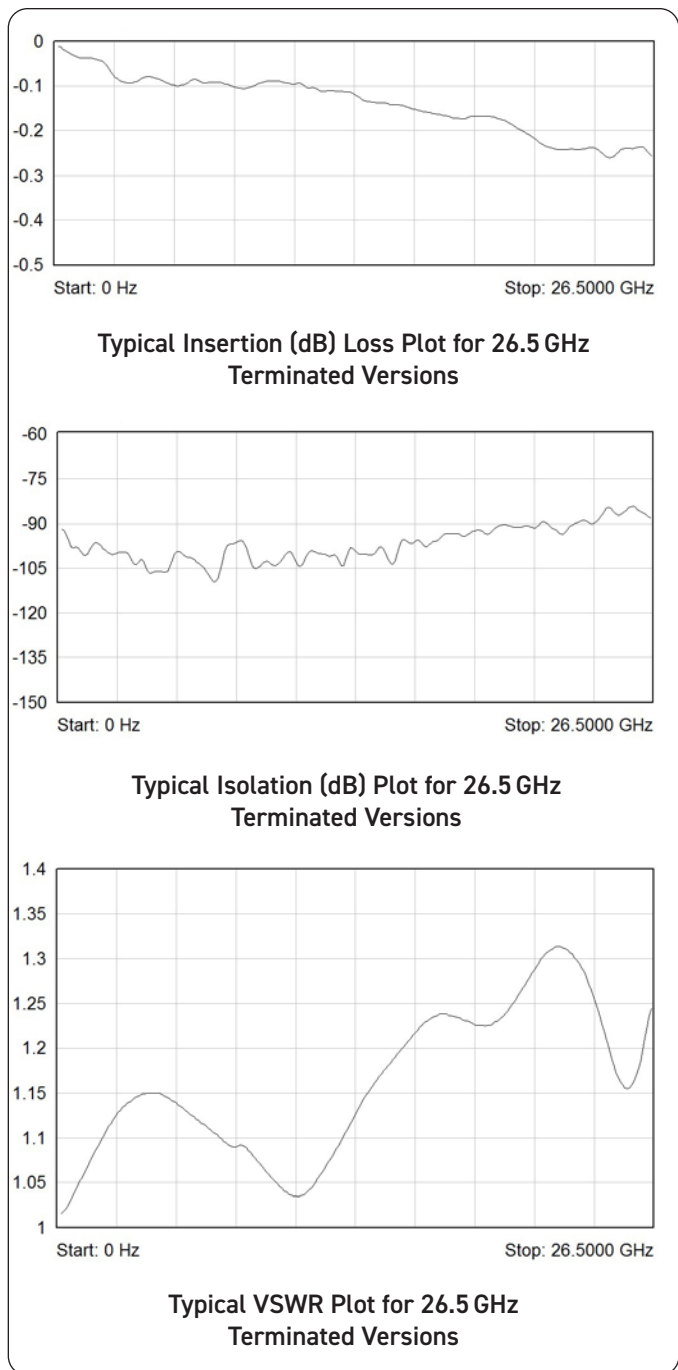
Typical Isolation (dB) Plot for 18 GHz Terminated Versions



Typical VSWR Plot for 18 GHz Terminated Versions

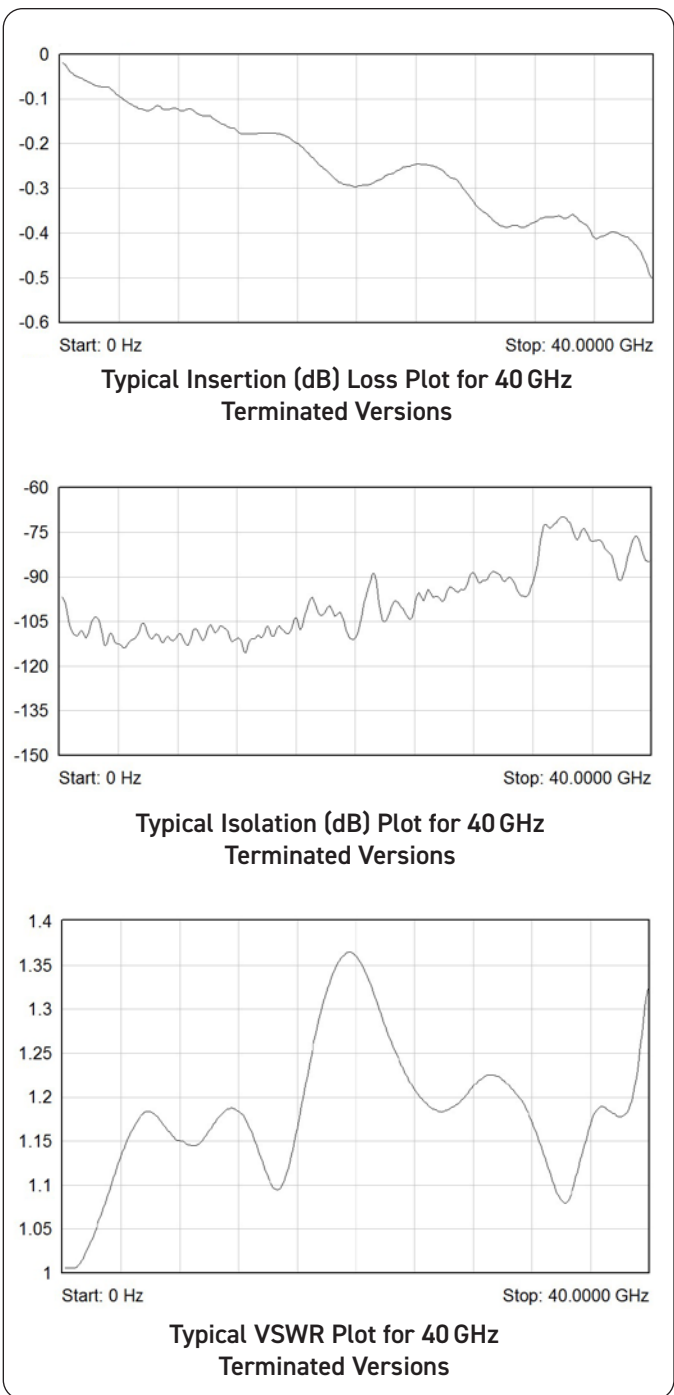
Specification - 26.5 GHz Terminated Versions

Characteristic Impedance:	50 Ω
Connectors:	SMA
Bandwidth	DC to 26.5 GHz
Isolation:	80 dB (0-3 GHz) 70 dB (3-8 GHz) 60 dB (8-12.4 GHz) 60 dB (12.4-18 GHz) 55 dB (18-26.5 GHz)
Insertion Loss:	0.2 dB (0-3 GHz) 0.3 dB (3-8 GHz) 0.4 dB (8-12.4 GHz) 0.5 dB (12.4-18 GHz) 0.7 dB (18-26.5 GHz)
VSWR:	1.2:1 (0-3 GHz) 1.3:1 (3-8 GHz) 1.4:1 (8-12.4 GHz) 1.5:1 (12.4-18 GHz) 1.7:1 (18-26.5 GHz)
Maximum RF Carry Power:	240 W (0-3 GHz) 150 W (3-8 GHz) 120 W (8-12.4 GHz) 100 W (12.4-18 GHz) 40 W (18-26.5 GHz)
Termination power rating:	1 W per termination, 3 W total per 6 channel multiplexer
Expected Life (low power):	>2 million ops per position



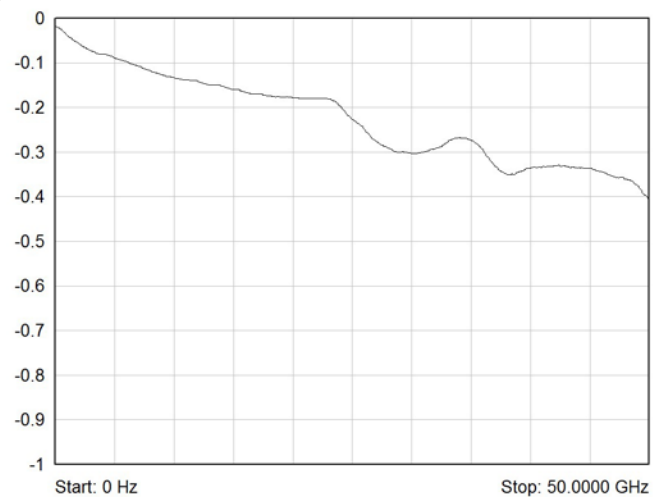
Specification - 40 GHz Terminated Versions

Characteristic Impedance:	50 Ω
Connectors:	SMA 2.9
Bandwidth	DC to 40 GHz
Isolation:	70 dB (0-6 GHz) 60 dB (6-12.4 GHz) 60 dB (12.4-18 GHz) 55 dB (18-26.5 GHz) 50 dB (26.5-40 GHz)
Insertion Loss:	0.2 dB (0-6 GHz) 0.4 dB (6-12.4 GHz) 0.5 dB (12.4-18 GHz) 0.7 dB (18-26.5 GHz) 1.1 dB (26.5-40 GHz)
VSWR:	1.3:1 (0-6 GHz) 1.4:1 (6-12.4 GHz) 1.5:1 (12.4-18 GHz) 1.7:1 (18-26.5 GHz) 2.2:1 (26.5-40 GHz)
Maximum RF Carry Power:	40 W (0-6 GHz) 30 W (6-12.4 GHz) 25 W (12.4-18 GHz) 15 W (18-26.5 GHz) 5 W (26.5-40 GHz)
Termination power rating:	1 W per termination, 3W total per 6 channel mux
Expected Life (Low Power):	>2 million ops per position

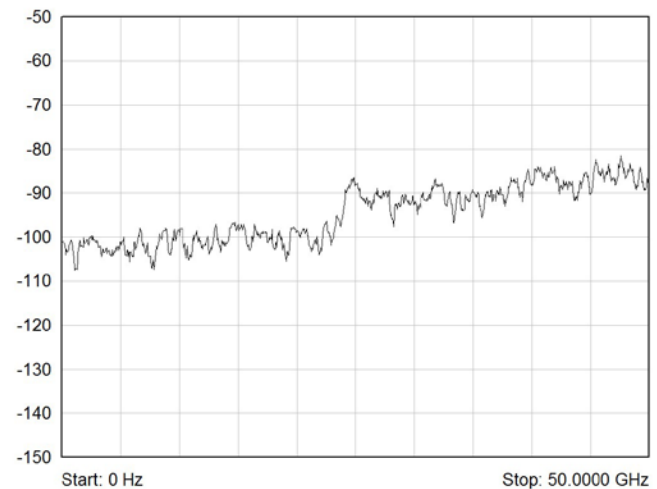


Specification - 50 GHz Underterminated & Terminated Versions

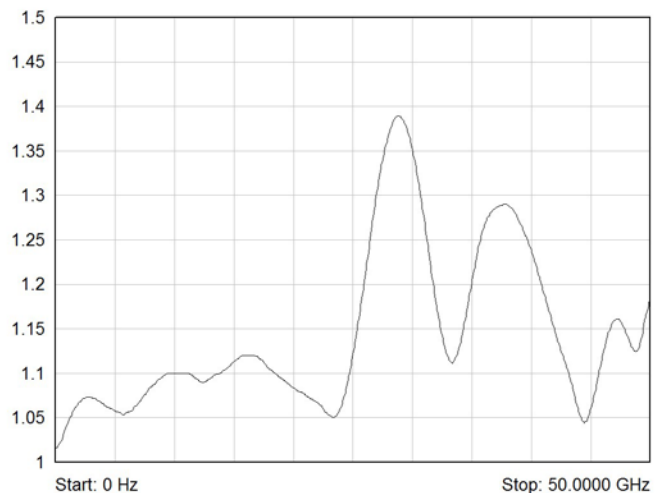
Characteristic Impedance:	50 Ω
Connectors:	SMA 2.4
Bandwidth	DC to 50 GHz
Isolation:	70 dB (0-6 GHz) 60 dB (6-12.4 GHz) 60 dB (12.4-18 GHz) 55 dB (18-26.5 GHz) 50 dB (26.5-40 GHz) 50 dB (40-50 GHz)
Insertion Loss:	0.2 dB (0-6 GHz) 0.4 dB (6-12.4 GHz) 0.5 dB (12.4-18 GHz) 0.7 dB (18-26.5 GHz) 0.9 dB (26.5-40 GHz) 1.2 dB (40-50 GHz)
VSWR:	1.3:1 (0-6 GHz) 1.4:1 (6-12.4 GHz) 1.5:1 (12.4-18 GHz) 1.7:1 (18-26.5 GHz) 1.9:1 (26.5-40 GHz) 2.2:1 (40-50 GHz)
Maximum RF Carry Power:	40 W (0-6 GHz) 30 W (6-12.4 GHz) 25 W (12.4-18 GHz) 15 W (18-26.5 GHz) 5 W (26.5-40 GHz) 3 W (40-50 GHz)
Termination power rating:	1 W per termination, 3 W total per 6 channel multiplexer
Expected Life (Low Power):	>2 million operations per position



Typical Insertion Loss (dB) Plot for 50 GHz Terminated & Underterminated Versions



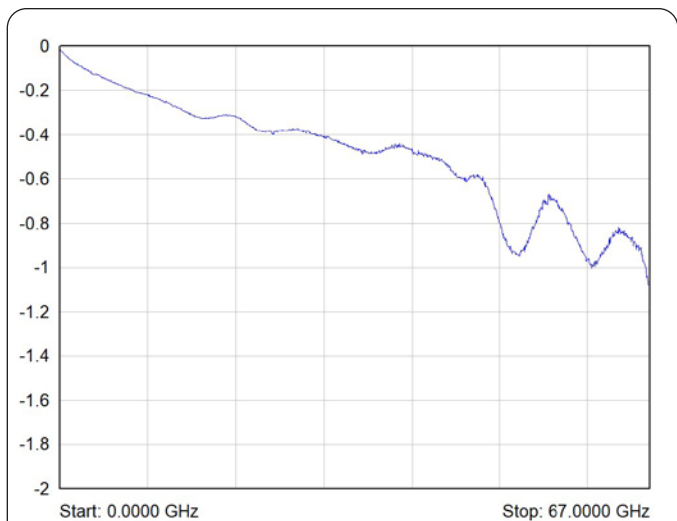
Typical Isolation (dB) Plot for 50 GHz Terminated & Underterminated Versions



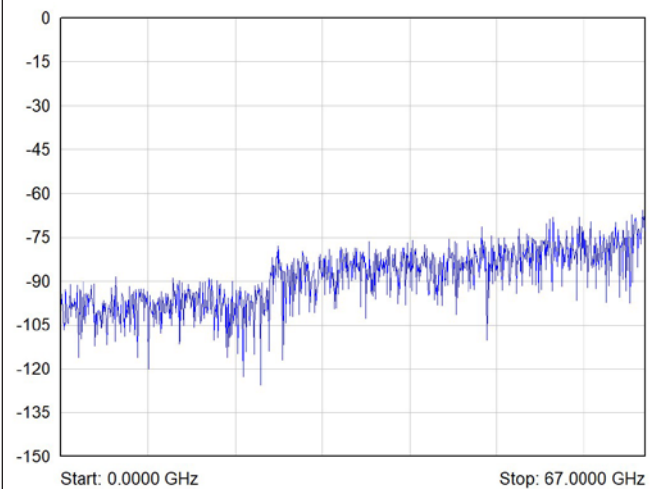
Typical VSWR Plot for 50 GHz Terminated & Underterminated Versions

Specification - 67 GHz Underterminated Versions

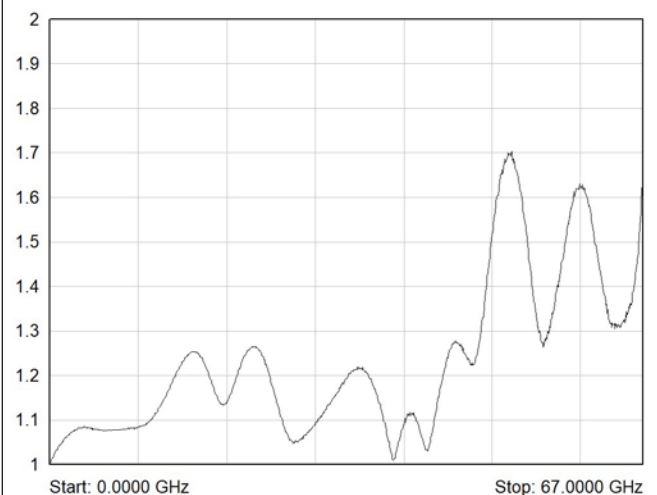
Characteristic Impedance:	50 Ω
Connectors:	SMA 1.8.5
Bandwidth	DC to 67 GHz
Isolation:	70 dB (0-6 GHz) 60 dB (6-12.4 GHz) 60 dB (12.4-18 GHz) 55 dB (18-26.5 GHz) 50 dB (26.5-40 GHz) 50 dB (40-50 GHz) 50 dB (50-65 GHz) 50 dB (65-67 GHz)
Insertion Loss:	0.3 dB (0-6 GHz) 0.4 dB (6-12.4 GHz) 0.5 dB (12.4-18 GHz) 0.7 dB (18-26.5 GHz) 0.9 dB (26.5-40 GHz) 1.2 dB (40-50 GHz) 1.2 dB (50-65 GHz) 1.7 dB (65-67 GHz)
VSWR:	1.3:1 (0-6 GHz) 1.4:1 (6-12.4 GHz) 1.5:1 (12.4-18 GHz) 1.7:1 (18-26.5 GHz) 1.9:1 (26.5-40 GHz) 2.2:1 (40-50 GHz) 2.2:1 (50-65 GHz) 2.2:1 (65-67 GHz)
Maximum RF Carry Power:	40 W (0-6 GHz) 30 W (6-12.4 GHz) 25 W (12.4-18 GHz) 15 W (18-26.5 GHz) 5 W (26.5-40 GHz) 3 W (40-50 GHz) 1 W (50-65 GHz) 1 W (65-67 GHz)
Expected Life (Low Power):	>2 million operations per position



Typical Insertion Loss (dB) Plot for 67 GHz Underterminated Versions



Typical Isolation (dB) Plot for 67 GHz Underterminated Versions



Typical VSWR Plot for 67 GHz Underterminated Versions

Product Order Codes

LXI Microwave MUX, 50Ω, Unterminated

4 to 1 MUX, 50GHz, SMA-2.4	60-803-6xx
4 to 1 MUX, 67GHz, SMA-1.85	60-803-8xx

Where xx defines the number of 4 to 1 multiplexers between 01-16 banks

LXI Microwave MUX, 50Ω, Terminated

4 to 1 MUX, 18GHz, SMA	60-803-1yy
4 to 1 MUX, 26.5GHz, SMA	60-803-3yy
4 to 1 MUX, 40GHz, SMA-2.92	60-803-5yy
4 to 1 MUX, 50GHz, SMA-2.4	60-803-7yy

Where yy defines the number of 4 to 1 multiplexers between 01-14 banks

Versions with other bank counts, alternative connector types and different frequency ranges can be made to order, please contact sales office.

Product Customization

Pickering products are designed and manufactured on our own flexible manufacturing lines, giving complete product control and enabling simple customization to meet very specific requirements.

Customization can include:

- Alternative relay types
- Mixture of relay types
- Alternative number of relays
- Different performance specifications

All customized products are given a unique part number, fully documented and may be ordered at any time in the future. Please contact your local sales office to discuss.

Mating Connectors & Cabling

For connection accessories for the 60-803 please refer to the [90-011D](#) RF Cable Assemblies data sheet where a complete list and documentation can be found for accessories, or refer to the Connection Solutions catalog.

Product Order Codes Suggested Alternatives

For applications requiring unterminated relays up to 40GHz please refer to the 60-801 (SP6T) and 60-802 (SP4T) product ranges. These ranges have the advantages of reduced height (2U compared to 3U) for 9-16 40GHz multiplexers plus LED indication for each multiplexer channel.

Further LXI RF Switching Solutions from Pickering



60-891 LXI 36:1 Microwave MUX. Available With SMA Connectors (18GHz) or BNC Connectors (4GHz).



60-750/751 LXI Microwave Matrix. Bandwidth up to 20GHz and is available in sizes from Single 3x3 up to Dual 4x4 with Loop-Thru and termination options.



60-801/802 LXI Microwave MUX, up to 40GHz and support for up to 16 banks of 6 or 4 way multiplexers.

Connectivity Solutions

We provide a full range of supporting cable and connector solutions for all our switching products—20 connector families with 1200+ products. We offer everything from simple mating connectors to complex cables assemblies and terminal blocks. All assemblies are manufactured by Pickering and are guaranteed to mechanically and electrically mate to our modules.



Connectors & Backshells



Multiway Cable Assemblies



RF Cable Assemblies



Connector Blocks

We also offer customized cabling and have a free online **Cable Design Tool** that can be used to create custom cable solutions for many applications. Visit: pickeringtest.com/cdt to start your design.

Mass Interconnect

We recommend the use of a mass interconnect solution when an Interchangeable Test Adapter (ITA) is required for a PXI or LXI based test system. Our modules are fully supported by both Virginia Panel and MacPanel.

Pickering Reed Relays

We are the only switch provider with in-house reed relay manufacturing capability via our Relay Division. These instrument grade reed relays feature **SoftCenter™** technology, ensuring long service life and repeatable contact performance. To learn more, please go to: pickeringrelay.com



Programming

Pickering provide kernel, IVI and VISA (NI & Keysight) drivers which are compatible with all Microsoft supported versions of Windows and popular older versions. For a list of all supporting operating systems, please see: pickeringtest.com/os

The VISA driver is also compatible with Real-Time Operating Systems such as LabVIEW RT. For other RTOS support contact Pickering. These drivers may be used with a variety of programming environments and applications including:

- **Pickering Interfaces Switch Path Manager**
- **National Instruments** products (LabVIEW, LabWindows/CVI, Switch Executive, MAX, TestStand, VeriStand, etc.)
- **Microsoft Visual Studio** products (Visual Basic, Visual C+)
- **Keysight** VEE and OpenTAP
- **Mathworks** Matlab
- **Marvin** ATEasy
- **MTQ Testsolutions** Tecap Test & Measurement Suite

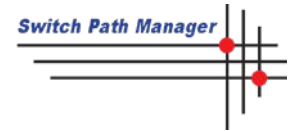
As well as various open source environments such as:

- **Sharp Develop**
- **Dev-C++**

To learn more about software drivers and development environments, please go to: pickeringtest.com/software

Signal Routing Software

Our signal routing software, Switch Path Manager, automatically selects and energizes switch paths through Pickering switching systems. Signal routing is performed by simply defining test system endpoints to be connected together, greatly accelerating Test System software development. To learn more, please go to: pickeringtest.com/spm



Diagnostic Relay Test Tools

eBIRST Switching System Test Tools are designed specifically for our PXI, PCI or LXI products, these tools simplify switching system fault-finding by quickly testing the system and graphically identifying the faulty relay. To learn more, please go to: pickeringtest.com/ebirst



Three Year Warranty & Guaranteed Long-Term Support

All standard products manufactured by Pickering Interfaces are warranted against defective materials and workmanship for a period of three years from the date of delivery to the original purchaser. Extended warranty and service agreements are available for all our modules and systems with various levels to suit your requirements. Although we offer a 3-year warranty as standard, we also include guaranteed long-term support—with a history of supporting our products for typically 15-20 years. To learn more, please go to: pickeringtest.com/support

Available Product Resources

We have a large library of product resources including success stories, product and support videos, articles and white papers as well as application specific product brochures to assist when looking for the switching, simulation and connection solutions you need. We have also published handy reference books on Switching Technology and for the PXI and LXI standards.



To view, download or request any of our product resources, please visit: pickeringtest.com/resources